RAWR
Why won't you release the next chapter?!
W...
Can I help you?

What can I do to help?
I-b-but! I don't know how to edit or translate
Fan Girl
/

It's not like YOU helped out any.
We don't have enough translators or editors.
Stop yelling already.
!!!
...

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C'mon, Chiwa! Take advantage of Hokuto already, dang it! Didn't that cute sleeping face tempt you?! >O

- Lacaille

CHIWA HAD DECIDED TO LEAVE HOKUTO, BUT ENDED UP COMING BACK TO HIM. HOW WILL THEIR RELATIONSHIP DEVELOP?

Steady
~Happy Marriage!?~

人は如何なる理由で結婚するのか？

9th Step

I have someone I love. What do I do to get closer to him?

円城寺マキ
presented by Maki Enjoji

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SO, WHEN'S THE WEDDING?

YOU SUBMIT-TED A LETTER OF RESIGNA-TION A WHILE AGO, RIGHT?

BUT WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

I SAW YOU TOGETHER WITH THE GUY! YOU MUST'VE KNOCKED HIM DEAD WITH THAT UNDERWEAR WE CHOSE FOR YOU!

SO THINGS WITH YOUR BOYFRIEND MUST'VE GONE WELL.

YOU HAVE MY CON-GRATULA-TIONS.

WHAT..?

SO DON'T EXPECT ME TO SPEND LIKE CRAZY FOR WED-DING PRES-ENTS, TOO.

BUT YOU DON'T NEED TO INVITE ME TO THE WED-DING RECEP-TION. JUST THE AFTER-PARTY WILL BE ENOUGH.

AND YOU TOLD EV-ERYONE ABOUT THIS..?

EHM...

Eh, don't tell me...

So what? So the truth was...

WE THOUGHT THAT LETTER OF RESIGNATION MEANT THERE MUST BE ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT UNTIL THE WEDDING!

YEAH, OF COURSE! SHOULDN'T WE HAVE?

WHICH *GUY* WOULD THAT BE..?

WAIT a minute...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN *WHO*? THE PRETTY ONE WHO LOOKS LIKE A RUGBY-PLAYER!

because of you, people!

SO, WHEN'S THE WED-DING?

Hokuto caught on to the thing with Sakuraba-senpai...

VIA SOUMA-SAN.

THERE WON'T BE ONE! AND I'M NOT QUITTING!

TO APOLOGIZE AFTER WHAT HAPPENED THEN.

I SENT A MAIL TO SAKURABA

NOT ONLY BEING SO RUDE TO SENPAI, BUT

FOR BEING SO HAPPY WHEN HOKUTO CAME AFTER ME.

BUT

I HATE MYSELF EVEN MORE FOR...

HE WAS JUST TOO KIND.

"I hope you calmly talk everything over with your husband."

SO MUCH THAT I STARTED TO HATE MYSELF.

90B

90B

SO HAPPY THAT I DIDN'T EVEN CARE

WHEN I LOST MY CHANCE TO WALK ON WITHOUT PAYING ATTENTION TO ANYTHING...

OR WHEN I LOST MY CHANCE TO TRY TO CHANGE SOMETHING WITH MY RESIGNATION.

YOU NEVER GIVE UP, DO YOU?

BY THE WAY, I WENT TO THE FLOOR WHERE THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE IS~!

The truth is, I didn't understand anything.

I'm such an idiot

EH?!

THAT'S WHAT I THINK, AT LEAST.

IT'S HIS SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

And that secretary is gone, too.

BUT IT SEEMS HE'S NOT HERE TODAY.

I wonder why?

HE MUST'VE GONE SOMEWHERE ON HIS OWN.

HE FINALLY HAS HIS HOLIDAYS, SO HE PROBABLY WANTS TO FORGET COMPLETELY THAT I EXIST FOR THREE DAYS.

It really is his summer holidays.

Although it's just the three days from now to the end of the week.

OPEN BUT...

EVEN FOR THREE WHOLE DAYS, A PERSON HE ISN'T FOND OF BUT STILL HAS TO LIVE WITH.

THERE'S NO REASON FOR HIM TO HAVE TO MEET ME EVERY SINGLE DAY...

AH, MAN!

SLAM

YOU COULD'VE AT LEAST TOLD ME WHERE YOU WERE GOING!

RIGHT...

Close

I'M HOME...

See?

I knew it. every-thing's dark.

...!

DROP

HEY...

HOKUTO?!

WHAT'S WRONG?!

YOU'RE HOME...

I'M A LITTLE DIZZY...

...MORE THAN A LITTLE...

...!

KATAGIRI..?

I THINK HE'LL COME...

CONTACT THEM.

KATA-GIRI CLINIC...

NO. I'D NEVER STEP INTO SUCH AN UNCOOL VEHICLE.

A-A-AMBU-LANCE!

Idiot!

ARE YOU A LITTLE KID?!

ANYTHING WRONG?

THAT WAS H M

THE DOCTOR WHO WAS HAV NG THAT CONVERSA TION W TH HOKJTO

I'LL PREPARE THE BED-ROOM,

Running

AH

SO WAIT A SECOND!

I CAN'T LEAVE YOU LIKE THIS UNTIL SOME-ONE COMES YOU MUST GO TO BED

AH! YEAH, ALL RIGHT,

I'LL CALL THEM RIGHT AWAY, BUT

OP EN

Creak

scared

WHA...

WHAT WAS THAT SCENE?!

scared

SFX BANG

DEVIL'S DEN

TOO HORRIBLE TO DRAW

I THINK THE LAST TIME A HOUSE-CLEANER ENTERED IT WAS A FEW YEARS AGO...

HAVE YOU EVER CLEANED IT IN YOUR WHOLE LIFE?!

OF COURSE YOU'D GET SICK LIVING IN SUCH A ROOM!

I CAN'T PUT HIM IN SUCH A BEDROOM!

STAGGER

HO-HOKUTO... WHAT'S WITH THAT BEDROOM

IT CAN'T BE HELPED THEN... USE MY BED FOR NOW

COME ON, MOVE IT!

DON'T MISUNDER-STAND!

HOW BOLD OF YOU...

TRANSIENT ARRHYTHMIA.

YOU'VE BEEN TOO BUSY LATELY, HAVEN'T YOU?

I WORKED A LITTLE OVERTIME

TO MAKE UP FOR THE DAYS OFF I WAS ABOUT TO TAKE

MISSIS.

CAN I TALK TO YOU FOR A MOMENT?

IT IS NOT.

The curtains are especially cute.

BY THE WAY, IS THIS YOUR ROOM?

YOU HAVE SOME WEIRD TASTES

SO, HOW'S HE?

VERY GENTLE, ISN'T HE?

NOT AT ALL.

I SEE

LAST TIME, HE SUDDENLY BARGED IN, CARRYING YOU IN HIS ARMS AND TOLD ME YOU WERE HIS *WIFE*

THAT REALLY SURPRISED ME AH, BY THE WAY, I KNOW THE DETAILS ABOUT HOW YOU GOT MARRIED, SO DON'T WORRY

I don't know what he is to Hokuto,

but I can't help disliking him...

THANK YOU

I'M MAMIYA'S SENPAI FROM THE UNIVERSITY

EHM

IS HE COLD ?

NOT PARTICULARLY,

BUT HE'S NOT GENTLE EITHER

I SEE WELL, ANYWAY

NOW, ABOUT HIS NURSING

LET HIM SLEEP KEEP HIM IN BED FOR THREE DAYS.

YES!

YES!

AND FEED HIM NOURISHING MEALS

YES!

IT'S JUST OVERWORK BUT MAKE SURE HE RESTS WELL

DOESN'T NEED THEM

AND

MEDI-CINES ?

YES~

I'm so relieved...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE BEING A PRESIDENT, BUT

IF HE KEEPS THIS UP, ONE DAY HE MIGHT--

YOU!

I ALWAYS THOUGHT HE'S OVER-WORKING HIMSELF

HE CAME HOME VERY LATE EVERY DAY

IT WAS THE SAME EVEN IN THE WEEKEND

YOU REALLY WATCH OUT FOR MAMIYA AND WORRY ABOUT HIM

YOU ARE IN LOVE WITH HIM.

WELL, I THINK HE SHOULDN'T KEEP THIS UP, TOO.

Damn it! He got me!

T-THEN,

EH

YOU SAY SOMETHING TO H.M! WARN HIM, DOCTOR!

SO WHAT IF I WARN H.M?

WHY DON'T *YOU* ASK HIM? "WHY ARE YOU SO DESPERATE ABOUT IT?" OR SOMETHING

BESIDES, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS THE RIGHT TO STOP HIM. YOU'RE HIS WIFE, RIGHT?

AH, LOOK AT THE TIME!

NOW THAT I'VE HAD THIS LITTLE CHAT WITH YOU.

I THINK YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO CHANGE HIM

PAT PAT

!

THANKS FOR THE TEA!

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, ALL RIGHT

AND FEED HIM WELL, REMEMBER?

WELL, IF ANYTHING NEW TURNS UP, CALL ME

I HATE THIS MAN!

I'VE NEVER COOKED BEFORE IN MY LIFE!

HO-HO-HOKUTO!

BA

NG

!

EH, FEED HIM?! LIKE, MEALS?!

WHAT? I HAVE TO COOK?!

THE REASON WHY HOKUTO IS SO DESPERATE?

I CAN CHANGE HIM? HOW?

EVEN IF, I AM "HIS WIFE" IN NAME!!

DID SENPAI LEAVE?

AH HEY... HEY!

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO EAT?

ANYTHING GOES I DON'T HAVE PREFER-ENCES

AH DON'T YOU? REALLY?

BLAH BLAH

AH! EHM, I'M ONLY DOING THIS BECAUSE THE BEARDED DOCTOR SAID I MUST!

THEN I'LL MAKE SOME-THING RIGHT NOW!

I-I-I SAID IT!

thump

IT'S THE ULTIMATE WIFE-LIKE-LINE!

I FINALLY SAID IT!

thump

IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE PREPARED A MEAL FOR A MAN

Even if it's just rice gruel

B-BUT

WHY DON'T I LOOK LIKE A WIFE AT ALL, EVEN THOUGH I DO SUCH A THING?

I SAID THAT, BUT ACTUALLY, THE ONLY FOOD SUITABLE FOR SICK PEOPLE I KNOW OF IS RICE GRUEL

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

I DECIDED RICE GRUEL SHOULD BE ALL RIGHT—

I DON'T WANT IT

GURGLE

I'M NOT HUNGRY

AND I DON'T HAVE APPETITE

WHAT?!

WHAT'S WITH HIM?

WHAT?! YOUR STOM-ACH JUST GURGLED! YOU'RE HUNGRY!

SHUT UP I WON'T EAT IT.

GO AWAY.

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I MADE SOME-THING

WHAT A SHOCK

tick

tick

tick

tick

tick

tick

EH?

ABOUT WHY HOKUTO DOESN'T WANT TO EAT

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT UNDER-STAND SOMETHING, SOUMA-SAN

On vacation

I UN-DER-STAND

YOUR CIRCUM-STANCES, MISSIS, BUT

WHY ARE YOU CALL-ING TO TELL ME THAT?

EHM DRIED PLUMS, RICE GRUEL AND PICK-LED RADISH

EXCUSE ME, BUT WHAT DID YOU MAKE HIM?

YOU PIN POINTED ALL THE THINGS THE PRESIDENT HATES MOST.

EH?!

THAT'S IT, MISSIS.

I HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IN SUCH CASES.

ALL RIGHT, I'LL SEND YOU A FAX WITH SOME RECIPES RIGHT AWAY.

I feel a migra ne coming up.

HE'S AC TUALLY QUITE FASTIDI OUS. BUT ENOUGH ABOUT THIS...

HE WAS JUST TRYING NOT TO LOOK UNCOOL TO YOU.

AH B-BUT HE SAID HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY PREFER-ENCES !

EHM... HOKUTO DOESN'T HAVE A MOTHER ?

What...

I'M SORRY

AH!

HOW COME...

THE PRESI-DENT'S CHARACTER CAN BE DIF-FICULT AT TIMES,

BUT IF YOU ASK HIM, I'M SURE HE'LL TELL YOU

BECAUSE I KNOW HE THINKS VERY MUCH OF YOU, MISSIS

THE PRESIDENT GREW UP IN A FAMILY WITHOUT A MOTHER, SO...

SO, AS PER THE CHAIRMAN'S ORDERS, I HAD TO TAKE CARE OF HIM MANY TIMES WHEN HE WAS ILL, TOO.

WORRY ABOUT THE PRESIDENT VERY MUCH, ISN'T THAT RIGHT? I FEEL BETTER KNOWING THIS.

BUT YOU, TOO, MADAM,

NOW, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME.

clank

I DON'T KNOW ANY-THING ABOUT HOKUTO, YET

clank

print print print

ALL I KNOW IS THAT

BUT

IF I KNOW AT LEAST THAT

THEN I'M NOT JUST A STRANGER WHO HAP-PENS TO LIVE WITH HIM

PEOPLE SAID THE SAME THING TO ME AGAIN

AM I REALLY SO TRANS-PARENT?

LEAVE IT HERE AND GO AWAY.

W-WHAT'S WITH THE EX-PRESSIONS?! I EVEN MADE YOU ANOTHER MEAL!

WHAT? YOU CAME AGAIN?

HOKUTO,

ARE YOU AWAKE?

HEY, YOU MUST EAT PROPERLY—

IS WHAT SENPAI TOLD YOU, RIGHT?

IF IT'S JUST YOUR SENSE OF DUTY SPEAKING, YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE IT THAT FAR

WHAT'S WITH HIM, TREAT ING ME LIKE A BUZZING MOSQUITO?!

SORRY FOR BEING AN IDIOT WHO CAN'T LEAVE A SICK PERSON ALL ALONE!

HERE' I'M LEAVING THE FOOD.

Clank

I WON'T DIE WITH-OUT YOU,

SO WHY DON'T YOU JUST LEAVE ME TO DO WHAT I PLEASE?

MAD

WHY DO YOU CARE SO MUCH FOR ME, SOMEONE TO WHOSE FACE YOU SAID YOU HATED?

WHY DON'T YOU JUST LEAVE ME ALONE?

BECAUSE YOUR SUMMER HOLIDAYS HAD ME WORRIED, HOKUTO!

OR YOU MIGHT HAVE GONE TO HAVE FUN WITH THAT SENPAI OF YOURS

I SAW YOU TWO TOGETHER YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE HAVING A FABULOUS TIME WITH HIM

IT'S FRIDAY YOU SHOULD'VE BEEN BETTER OFF GOING TO HAVE A DRINK WITH YAGAMI

!

YOU HAD ENOUGH TIME EVEN TO GO SHOPPING OR SOMETHING

"I HATE YOU, HOKUTO "

AH

AH, THAT WAS JUST ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT, TO MAKE YOU MAD

AND WHY ARE YOU BACK HOME TO EARLY TODAY?

NURSING SOMEONE MUST BE THE MOST BORING THING IN THE WORLD

EH ?! EVEN HOKUTO HIMSELF SAW US?!

DO YOU HATE SHOWING YOURSELF TO OTHERS SO MUCH WHEN YOU'RE WEAK?

WHAT?

THE PRESIDENT'S CHARACTER CAN'T BE DIFFICULT AT TIMES."

ESPECIALLY

SUCH A WEAKENED MAN.

OR YOU DON'T WANT TO SHOW THIS STATE ONLY TO ME?

BUT IF YOU ASK HIM I'M SURE HE'LL TELL YOU."

WELL, SORRY, BUT I'M NOT BUYING THIS.

WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO SAID YOU WANT ME TO STAY BY YOUR SIDE?

I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU AT ALL WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

WHY ARE YOU ACTING SO MUCH OUT OF CHARACTER ALL OF A SUDDEN?

AT LEAST NOW I CAN TURN THE TABLES

YOU'RE ALWAYS THE ONE WHO CATCHES ME OFF-GUARD.

BESIDES,

I THINK I FINALLY HAVE A CHANCE TO DIG UP YOUR REAL WEAK-NESS.

YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT ME?

WEAK-NESS...

...I DO...

ALL RIGHT

BUT IN RE-TURN

I WANT YOU TO

SFX GURGLE

GURGLE

HEY

RUMBLE

I'LL GO FIX SOMETHING QUICKLY.

SO YOU EAT UR TOO! SEE YOU!

A-HA-HA! I KIND OF GOT CARRIED AWAY TALKING AND FORGOT TO EAT!

I WAS ABOUT TO UNCOVER THE MOST VULNERABLE PART OF H M

BUT HOW TO DON'T REJECT ME

OR WAS HE ACTING UP AGAIN

WAAH! STUPID! STUPID! HOW CAN I BE SO STUPID

THIS WAS MY CHANCE!

Peek

Asleep

AH, GOOD, HE ATE IT

I BROUGHT HIM A HOT TOWEL

TO WIPE HIMSELF INSTEAD OF SHOWERING, BUT

AND WHERE AM I SUPPOSED TO SLEEP TONIGHT?

IT'S NOT TRUE THAT NOTHING BETWEEN HAS CHANGED

I'M SLOWLY, BUT GRADUALLY GETTING CLOSER TO HOKUTO

I DIDN'T KNOW ANY-THING ABOUT HIM BEFORE

OH, WELL, I'LL MANAGE SOME-THING

BUT NOW, THE SIGHT OF THIS SLEEPING FACE BELONGS ONLY TO ME

THESE TIMES WHEN I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY

IF HE'S ACTING UP OR NOT

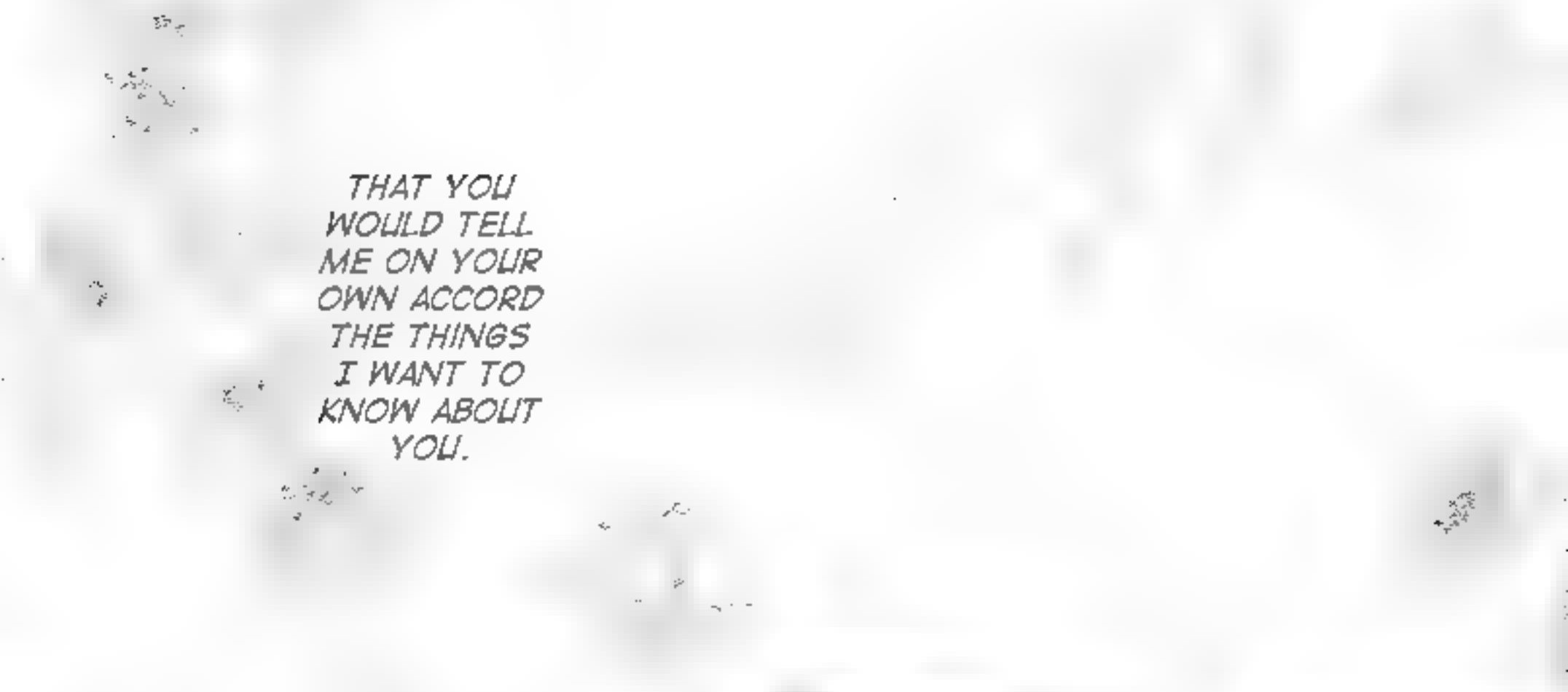
THIS IS MY PRIVI-LEGE

SOMEDAY..

SOMEDAY,

I WISH I WOULD BECOME A PERSON YOU WOULD FEEL SO CLOSE TO...

THAT YOU WOULD TELL ME ON YOUR OWN ACCORD THE THINGS I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOU.



BUT...

HA!

BUT...

WHAT DO I DO NOW?

I MUST GET UP. RIGHT?!

W-W-WHAT'S GOING ON?!

I DON'T REMEMBER GETTING HERE!

HOKUTO...

I LOVE YOU.

RTS

CAN'T

BREA

RRIIIIIIT

10 11 12 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

YAH!! IIIIIIING

YOU.

YOU ARE...

NO

H- HOKUTO!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

ARE YOU HAVING ANOTHER FIT?!

SQUEEE EEZE

!!!

UNDER THE BLANKET?

COUGH

COUGH

DAMN IT!

YOU OCTOPUS-WOMAN!

I I'M SORRY!

ALL RIGHT, I FEEL LIKE MYSELF AGA.N

I JUST NEED A SHOWER AND—

O-Octopus...

First dog, now octopus..!

WANT TO JOIN ME?

EH?!

YOU CAN HELP ME TAKE A BATH

The normal Hokuto is back.

I feel a little dis-appointed... But I'm glad.

SPEAKING OF WHICH, WHY WAS I SLEEPING HERE?

AS IF I'D DO SOME-THING LIKE THAT!

WHY, WE JUST SLEPT TO-GETHER, DIDN'T WE?

He's back.

AH...

AH, GLAD TO HEAR IT

I'LL NEVER NURSE YOU AGAIN, IF THAT'S HOW IT IS.

Goodbye.

PROBABLY BECAUSE YOU CRAWLED IN MY BED.

DID NOT!

YEAH, YOU DIDN'T. YOU WERE SLEEPING ON THE FLOOR, SO I DRAGGED YOU IN BED.

I'M HUNGRY

MAKE ME SOMETHING

YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT ME.

SO I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN COOK SOMETHING GOOD AGAIN

I THOUGHT YOU MUST HAVE

THE TRUTH IS, I ASKED SOUMA-SAN FOR ADVICE...

EHM...

IF THAT'S SO, THEN MAKE ME SOMETHING NEW EVERY DAY

IF WE EAT TOGETHER

THEN WE MIGHT EVEN START TO HAVE A PROPER CONVERSA-TION

WELL, LAST NIGHT'S MEAL WAS COOKED NICELY

IF...

JUST TO CLARIFY - IF IT'S NOT GOOD, I WON'T EAT IT

And I won't eat things I hate.

IF YOU PRAISE ME SO MUCH, I MIGHT REALLY START COOKING FOR YOU!

BUT WHAT LIES AHEAD OF THE TWO OF US IS MORE IMPORTANT.

IT'S ALL RIGHT THAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE KNOWN YOU FOR MUCH LONGER THEN ME

Hokuto's favorite dishes Cr10 notes

SOUMA-SAN, THANK YOU!!

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Mr. fried, bite me Bite me!*

The Rock

I what to think the word "like," however or to without... Somehow I like Ito

His true feelings still—I w— wishes deep inside

Chiwa has a feeling, Hokuto understands that but is it true—?

Next Episode

What [illegible] Discover [illegible] chapter

Ito 8

I MADE

AN UNUSUALLY VARIED AND PRETTY BREAKFAST THIS MORNING! ♡

Untie

ALL RIGHT!

OPEN

AH, GOOD MO..

WAH?!

This looks good

YOU DON'T HAVE TIME TO EAT AGAIN...

WAIT A MINUTE, HOKUTO!

DIDN'T I MENTION IT? I HAVE A MEETING EARLY THIS MORNING

IF I DON'T TAKE A LOOK AT THE DATA FIRST...

...!

DON'T TELL ME...

STOMP

IT'S A SHAME, BUT IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

IT'S WORK

STOMP

STOMP

WAIT A MINUTE!

HOW MANY TIMES IN A ROW DO YOU THINK THIS MAKES?!

SEE YOU LATER!

I SAID WAIT!

VROOM

What happened to "having proper conversation," you jerk?!

AGRH!

CLOSE

...!

IN THE END, WE WENT BACK TO BEING JUST ROOMMATES.

AND WHEN I STARTED TO DO IT, LOOK WHAT HE'S PULLING!

"If you make breakfast every day, we might start to have a proper conversation."

Hokuto told me to do this if I wanted to know more about him.

WE HAVEN'T TAKEN ONE STEP FORWARD AND I FEEL SO MISERABLE WASTING SO MUCH EFFORT FOR NOTHING!

NOW I HAVE TO EAT BREAKFAST FOR TWO

I'LL STRIKE BACK! JUST WATCH ME!

I want to cry!

If you can't eat breakfast, just say so, you!

You've got to be kidding me!

pissed

pissed

I'M HOME.

OPEN

A range of garbage mountains.

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!

?

?

?

HEY, YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN OTHER PEOPLE'S ROOMS?!

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?!

GAH?!

AH? YOU'RE BACK? WELCOME HOME!

...!

I'm done with your bedroom already! ♡

IT WAS SO DIRTY I HAD TO *DO YOU A FAVOR* AND CLEAN UP! ♡

WHAT? CAN'T YOU SEE I'M CLEANING?

LET GO!

KYAH!

!

KYAAAA!

Thud

DIDN'T FISH OUT ANYTHING WEIRD, DID YOU?

YOU

AH, HOKUTO, YOU LIKE TO KEEP THINGS, DON'T YOU?

YOU EVEN STILL HAVE YOUR ELE-MENTARY SCHOOL REPORT CARD!

IT SAYS, "PAY MORE ATTENTION TO CLEA-NING!"

YOU!

YOU DAMN LITTLE .!

TH

UMP

...!

THIS .

MOM..

THUMP

I HAVE SO FEW LEFT OF THESE.

EH? HOKUTO'S MOM?

SO WHEN SOUMA-SAN SAID HE DOESN'T HAVE A MOTHER, SHE MEANT.

AH SO YOUR MOTHER IS...

DEAD.

SO THAT'S WHERE IT WENT .

MUST BE. BUT WASN'T SHE—

SHE DIED IN AN ACCI-DENT

WHEN I WAS IN ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL.

I .. I'M SORRY

For some reason,

I thought his parents were divo-rced or so-mething, like mine...

..

!!!

It was a shock.

I can't ask him any-thing now.

YOU, TOO!

TAKE A BREAK TODAY.

pissed

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU, TOO,

TO TAKE A BREAK

BY THE WAY, WHY ARE YOU IN PLAIN CLO-THING?

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING ALL OF A SUDDEN?

?!

LET'S GO!

NO

What do you mean, left?

AH, THIS MORNING I MADE BREAK-FAST ONLY FOR ME. DO YOU WANT WHAT'S LEFT?

HEY!

THE BOSS ALLOWS YOU ONE TODAY.

I CAN'T TAKE A DAY OFF SO EASILY!

EH?! WHERE ARE WE GOING?!

WHAT?!

WHAT IS HAPPENING, ALL OF A SUDDEN?!

SLAM

Vroom

...

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!

GRAVE

MOTHER'S GRAVE.

IT'S THE ANNIVERSA-RY OF HER DEATH.

WELL, ACTUALLY, IT'S IN THREE DAYS,

BUT I CAN ONLY GET A DAY OFF TODAY.

WHY DID YOU BRING ME HERE...?

BE-CAUSE YOU'RE MY WIFE

More or less

AND ALSO

BECAUSE YOU LOOKED AS IF YOU WANTED TO KNOW MORE.

HE RE-MEMBERS THAT?! WAIT A SEC!

MOVE IT

I'M SO HAPPY!

MAYBE HOKUTO IS THE ONLY ONE

WHO COMES HERE EVERY YEAR?

ALONE.

JUST LIKE THIS

AND WHY HASN'T IT BEEN CLEANED?

DOESN'T HIS FATHER EVER COME HERE?

WHAT ABOUT HER FAMILY?

AND WHY HERE?

IT'S NOT THE MAMIYA FAMILY'S GRAVE..?

THE NAME ON THE GRAVESTONE IS DIFFERENT.

drop

I HAVEN'T BUT HOKUTO

YOU'VE NEVER EVEN MET HER RIGHT?

WHAT?

YOU CAN'T EVEN PROPERLY CLEAN THE GRAVES OF YOUR OWN FAMILY

WHY ARE YOU CRYING?

BUT WHEN I THOUGHT ABOUT YOU,

COMING HERE EVERY YEAR FOR YOUR MOTHER AND CLEANING UP LIKE NOW, I JUST

rub

rub

rub

rub

splash

EH?

I'M NOT GOOD AT IT, SO YOU DO IT.

THEN YOU DO IT.

SPONGE

I WAS USED AGAIN.

GOOD.

SPARKLE

WELL?!

GOOD JOB, IT'S ALL SPARKLY!

clap

clap

I'LL COME CLEAN IT AGAIN

NEXT YEAR, TOO

AND THE YEAR AFTER THAT

I feel like I saw just a little more of his heart.

IF IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU,

He really loved his mother.

AND THE YEAR AFTER IT, TOO ?

THU

MP

IT'S CLEAN NOW, SO WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO DO?

IS IT OVER? THE GRAVE VISIT?

WHAT? DID I SAY SOMETHING WEIRD?

NO, I JUST THOUGHT YOU REALLY MUST LOVE CLEANING.

HEY!

THE PERSON. WHO GAVE BIRTH TO HOKUTO.

SO,

NEXT YEAR,

AND THE YEARS AFTER THAT, TOO,

OUR MARRIAGE IS SYMBOLIC, BUT..

I LOVE HOKUTO.

I'LL TREAT YOU AS A REWARD THE FISH IS VERY TASTY IN THIS AREA.

ARGH! YOU!

DID YOU BRING ME HERE AS CLEANING STAFF?

I want to come here again, with him.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, DO I?

DO YOU KNOW THE AREA WELL?

I WAS BORN AND RAISED HERE.

YOU FINALLY NOTICED?

REALLY?

WHEN SHE DIED,

I FINALLY MOVED TO TOKYO WHERE I AM NOW.

MOTHER WAS THE "BLACK SHEEP" OF THE MAMIYA FAMILY, SO SHE CAME AND RAISED ME HERE

FISHER-MAN?!

Caught a big one!

HOKUTO AS FISHERMAN?!

"BLACK SHEEP" ?

SO IF SHE HADN'T DIED,

MAYBE I WOULD'VE STILL BEEN HERE, WORKING AS A FISHERMAN OR SOMETHING.

ABSOLU-TELY OUT OF CHA-RACTER!

I imagined it for a moment!

BEING A BOSS SUITS YOU MORE!

IMPOS-SIBLE, IMPOS-SIBLE!

HAHA-HAHA!

Gya-ha-haha!

BUT

IF THAT HAD HAPPENED,

MAYBE YOU WOULD'VE NEVER GOTTEN TO MARRY ME LIKE THIS.

I LOST HIM AGAIN

HOKUTO'S HEART SEEMS SO FAR AWAY

WHY

IS HE SAYING THIS ?

HE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE YEAR AFTER THE NEXT JUST A WHILE AGO

CHAPTER 2

NO

DID THEY SAY SOMETHING ON THE NEWS FOR UPCOMING TYPHOON?

IT'S PITCH-BLACK OUTSIDE

HYA!

LIGHTNING

HMM?!

THUNDER

WHAT'S THAT ?

SQUEAK

SQUEAK

SOME DOWNPOUR THIS IS

THERE'S A MAP THERE, TAKE IT OUT.

YOU'LL NAVIGA-TE.

ME?!

THAT'S NOT GOOD.

WHAT HAPPE-NED?

THERE'S A LANDSLIDE AHEAD, YOU'LL HAVE TO TURN AROUND.

STILL BETTER THAN NOT HAVING ONE AT ALL. DO IT

I'M NO GOOD WITH MAPS!

BUT..

BEING DIRECTED BY A MACHINE PISSES ME OFF, SO I DIDN'T GET ONE

DON'T YOU HAVE CAR NA-VIGATION?

I THINK IT WAS THE TRAFFIC LIGHT BEFORE THE LAST.

SORRY,

MAYBE.. WE SHOULD'VE TURNED RIGHT?

EHM...

ENOUGH! GIVE ME THAT!

HMM? HMMMM? THE NAME OF THE CROSSING IS DIFFE-RENT?

ENOUGH

Where the hell are we?!

MURDER

Rain

and done

WE'RE START NG VERY, VERY EARLY TO-MORROW MORNING

TAKE A BATH AND GO TO SLEEP

Open

sob

DON'T PUT THE BLAME ON OTHERS!

YOUR LACK OF TALENT IS A CURSE!

CAR NAVI-GATION

IF WE ONLY HAD ONE

sob

sob

I'LL GO SEE WHERE WE ARE AND WHAT THE WEATHER FORECAST SAYS.

EH... YOU ONLY GOT ONE ROOM. ?

?

OF COURSE, WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

YOU BATHE AND SLEEP

I'LL SLEEP NEXT TO HOKUTO UNTIL MORNING!

Kyaa!

I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF HE LIKES ME.

IF SOMETHING HAPPENS ALL OF A SUDDEN, I WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO

WHAT DO I DO NOW ..?

UNFORTUNATELY, NOTHING HAPPENED, BUT..

BUT WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENS - NOW?!

I-I-I HAVE TO CALM DOWN!

I PREPARED THE FUTONS!

WE'VE SLEPT TOGETHER BEFORE, RIGHT?!

HEY...

...I don't know what's going on anymore.

Folded blanket

WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU DOING...?

EHM.

WELL JUST IN CASE?

DON'T WORRY,

I RE-MEMBER THAT.

Thud

I MEAN, YOU SEE, I MOVE A LOT WHEN I SLEEP AND..

I WAS SHOCKED WHEN HE SAID IT SO PLAINLY!

Blanket

WAH!

IDIOT! I WON'T DO ANYTHING TO YOU EVEN WITHOUT THAT!

I'm turning off the lights!

SCARY !

JUST GO TO SLEEP ALREADY!

GOOD NIGHT

WE'RE LEAVING AT FIVE TO-MORROW MORNING!

shiver

shiver

IF YOU DO THAT AGAIN,

YOU'RE DEAD MEAT.

SWITCH off

I'LL BE-CAUSE OF MY NAVI-GATION

AH YES I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO BE THIS DUMB

BUT

HOW TO ARE YOU MAD AT ME?

WHY?

RAIN

THE RAIN IS AS STRONG AS BE-FORE

I TOLD YOU IT'LL STOP BEFORE MORNING

YOU'RE NOT THE TYPE OF "DUMB" I HATE

AL-THOUGH,

I FEEL LIKE I'VE GATHE-RED SOME GOOD KARMA FOR MAR-TYRDOM

I'M GET-TING USED TO IT

Karma?

BECAUSE IF YOU WERE THE TYPE I HATE PHYSIOLOGI-CALLY, I COULDN'T STAND THE FARCE FOR LONG

SO

TO BE HONEST,

I WAS WORRIED WHEN I MARRIED YOU

Close...?

NOT JUST OUR BODIES BUT OUR HEARTS AS WELL

CLOSER THAN EVER I FEEL HE'S CLOSER THAN EVER

HOKUTO'S TALKS

WHAT?

HOKUTO YOU KNOW

Now I can...

I WAS HAPPY YOU TOOK ME TO YOUR MOTHER'S GRAVE.

TODAY,

I STILL THINK YOU'RE BETTER OFF AS A BOSS

SO

ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID EARLIER,

I DON'T REGRET ANYTHING.

I'M ME AND I ACCEPT THIS MARRIAGE.

I JUST THOUGHT YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT...

GLANCE

Hokuto...?

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?

DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

SHE NEVER BECAME PART OF IT

I'M AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD

IT'S NOT TRUE WHAT I SAID BEFORE, THAT MY MOTHER IS THE "BLACK SHEEP" OF THE MAMIYA FAMILY.

I

I DO! DIDN'T I JUST SAY SO?

I WASN'T RAISED TO HAVE INTEREST IN SUCH THINGS, TOO.

BUT ACTUALLY, HE WASN'T IN ANY POSITION TO INHERIT EVEN SOME OF THE SMALLER COMPANIES UNDER MAMIYA

MY FATHER REALLY WAS A MAMIYA.

Eh...

The room is pitch black....

STARE

IF THAT HADN'T HAPPENED TO HER...

MOM...

MY MOTHER..

I TOLD YOU I HAD SOMETHING I HAD TO PROTECT

BUT I DIDN'T TELL YOU WHAT

BUT NOW, I'LL TELL YOU

I can't see his face at all, but I understand.

It's very dark.

DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN I PROPOSED MARRYING YOU?

I WILL TAKE THE WHOLE OF MAMIYA IN MY HANDS.

AND YOU ARE A PAWN I NEED IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THAT.

Strangely, I didn't feel shocked or anything.

Even though he shoved in my face the bare truth about the nature of our relationship,

I was more like—

SO YOU FINALLY BECAME HONEST.

WHAT?

IT'S NOT THAT IT'S TOO LATE, BUT,

I ALREADY HEARD WHAT YOU AND KATAGIRI-SENSEI WERE TALKING ABOUT

YOU DID?!

I JUST TOLD YOU YOU'RE JUST A TOOL TO ACHIEVE MY GOAL.

AND YOU STILL ?

YES

I'M AN IDIOT

HOKU

IF YOU'RE READY TO GO THAT FAR,

THEN DON'T PLAY AROUND WITH OTHER MEN ANY-MORE!

AND I'LL BELIEVE ONLY IN YOU, TOO

BELIEVE ONLY IN ME AND NOBODY ELSE!

HE SAID THAT AS IF HE WERE THREATENING ME

DO YOU UNDER-STAND?

THERE ARE MANY THINGS I STILL DON'T KNOW

IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I TOUCHED THE HONEST PART OF HOKUTO

ALL RIGHT

BUT STILL, I WAS HAPPY

I FINALLY FELT LIKE HIS EQUAL.

DAMN, WHEN IS SHE GOING TO WAKE UP?

USUALLY, I WOULD'VE GONE WITH THE FLOW, BUT

THUMP

1:00 AM

Sigh

I SAID I WOULDN'T DO ANY-THING TO HER, BUT

asleep

THIS CAN'T BE HAPPE-NING

I'M TORN.

AND I CAN'T JUST LAY A HAND ON A VIRGIN

Do

SCRATCH

SCRATCH

sigh

I'M TOO FRUSTRATED!

WHAT DO I DO IF I'M OBVIOUSLY THE ONLY ONE IN SUCH A MOOD?!

This is the worst!

IF YOU'RE SO SET ON THIS,

THEN YOU'LL HAVE TO ALLOW AT LEAST THIS MUCH.

ZZZZZ

Asleep

The "common sense"

I believed in doesn't seem to work in this case.

But now, that is already...

BEEEEEP

BEEEEEP

Asleep

INHALE

WAKE UP!

ACK!

AH...

WHERE ARE WE ..?!

AH, WHEN DID I FALL ASLEEP .?

AH, MY YUKATA IS OPEN

Ouch!

IT'S 4 30 AM I TOLD YOU WE'RE LEAVING AT FIVE O'CLOCK, RIGHT?

GET UP AND GET READY

AH, I RE-MEMBER!

HM.. ?

WHAT'S THIS?

...?

MOSQUI-TO BITE?

The flea

I'M WAITING DOWNSTAIRS

WERE THERE FLEAS OR CENTIPEDES IN THIS MOTEL?!

WAH! HOW'D I GET HERE?

AH, ALL RIGHT!

YOU HAVE TEN MINUTES

I CAN'T EVEN SEE STRAIGHT I COULDN'T SLEEP A WINK

FRUSTRATION'S PRETTY BAD

I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING OR ELSE

SORRY FOR THE WAIT!

DAMN!

I COULDN'T SLEEP BE-CAUSE OF THE NOISE OF THE RAIN

Open

Eeek!

H-HOKUTO?!

EH...

WHY DO YOU LOOK LIKE A PANDA BEAR WITH THOSE DARK CIRC-LES?!

REALLY?

VROOOM

THEN MAYBE I SHOULD DRIVE?

YOU MEAN

I DO HAVE A LICENSE.

I had to get one for my last job.

YOU KNOW,

DEPENDING

ON SOMEONE ..

ALL RIGHT, IN ONE HOUR, GOT IT

Straight down the highway, all the way

WE'LL GET SOMETHING FROM A CONVENI-ENCE STORE IN ABOUT AN HOUR

IS SUCH A NATURAL THING.

THANK YOU

WE'VE COME TO MEET YOU

WEL-COME BACK HOME

WHEN MY BUSINESS HERE IS DONE, I'M GOING BACK

THEN DON'T "WELCOME HOME" ME

YES..

ARE YOU NEW?

MY, MY . EVEN IF IT'S MY ANNUAL DUTY,

I'm very sorry!

IT'S REALLY SUCH A BOTHER

PRESIDENT . WHAT ARE THOSE CIRCLES BELOW YOUR EYES? WOULD YOU LIKE MY MAKE-UP TO HIDE THEM?

You look horrible!

..

Hokuto and Chiwa are gradually getting closer... <3
But who is this man?! Find out in the next chapter!

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Baka Hokuto! Make me all blush ＊＾＾＊ (face palm)

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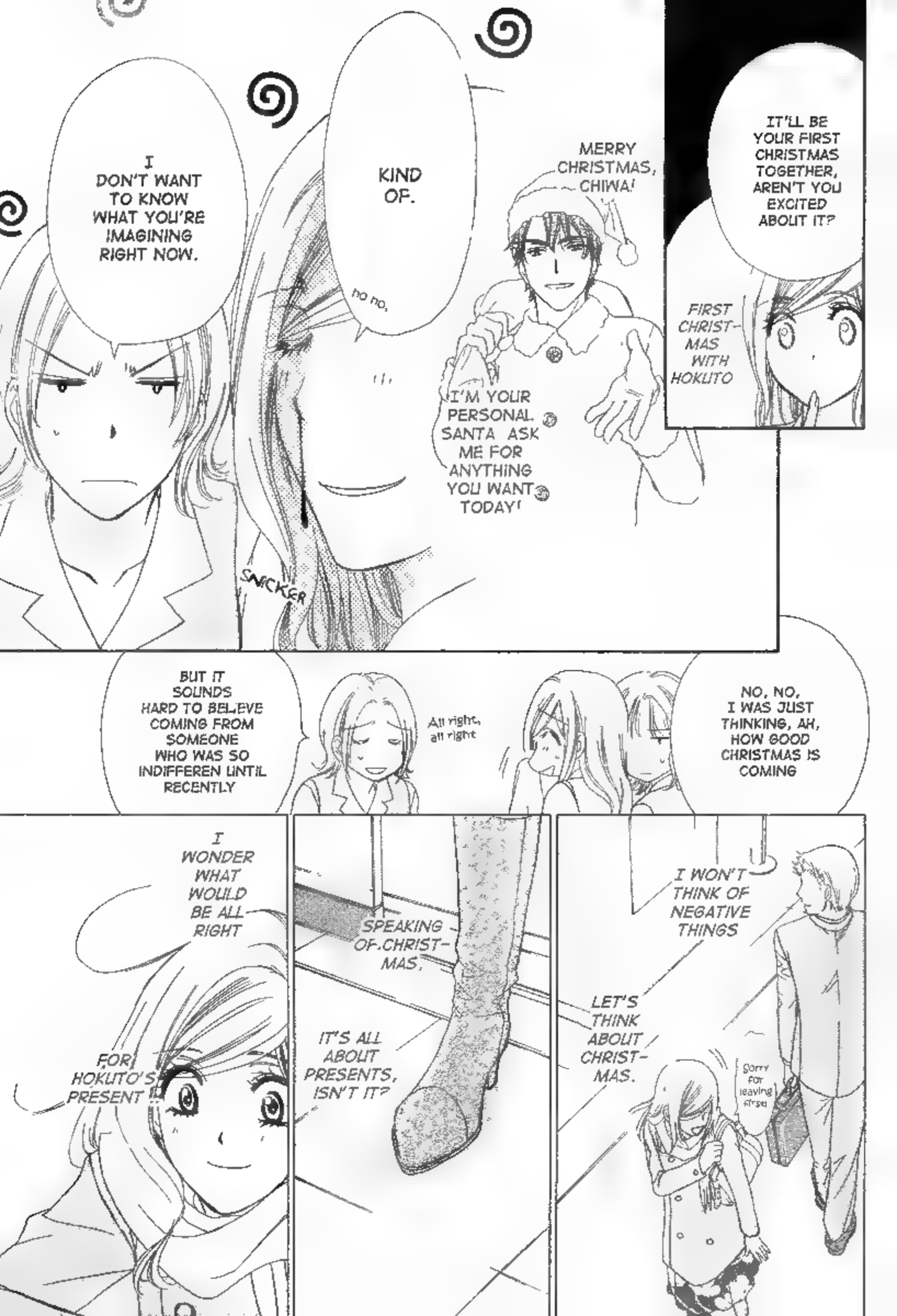
?
December
WHAT, THE BATTERY IS DEAD?
HEY CHI
CAN'T FIND ANY
BATTERY
SHE'S IN THE BATH

OPEN
ANY BATTER-ES IN HERE?
BAT-TERY
OPEN
BAT-TERY
DON'T TELL ME THIS IS MY

DON'T TELL ME, AT THE GROUP DATE?!
YEP
BOY-FRIEND?!
YES
SHE WENT ON A GROUP DATE AGAIN
WELL, IT'S CHRISTMAS AND I'D BE LONELY IF I HAVE TO SPEND IT BY MYSELF
I SEE
CHRISTMAS IS APPROACHING,
SO THESE DAYS, EVERYONE IS ON THEIR TOES
I'M SURE THE GUY'S MOTIVA-TION IS THE SAME!
IT WON'T LAST UNTIL SPRING!
whisper
whisper
DON'T SLANDER WHILE I'M STANDING RIGHT HERE!
I'm not slandering, just stating the truth
What did you say?!

Until now, I remained indifferent to the way the city and its people change at this time,
but this year... will be different.
"To take the whole of Mamiya in my hands"
That's what Hokuto's goal is.
I feel that to a man like him, those feelings of mine
might be nothing more than a bother.
I forgot, they still think I'm dating Sakuraba-senpai.
Oh, but it's such a bother explaining it to them, so let's leave it at that...
EH, YEAH I GUESS IT'S GOING ALL RIGHT
I'M SURE HE'S JUST THINKING ONLY OF HIMSELF..
AS USUALLY.
SPEAKING OF WHICH, ARE YOU STILL KEEPING UP THAT THING WITH YOUR SENPAI?
AH
ALTHOUGH ..
EVER SINCE THE DAY OF THAT GRAVE VISIT
I'VE BEEN FEELING THAT THE CONFESSION MADE US GROW APART.
I WON'T LEAVE YOU EVEN IF YOU STOP PRETENDING


I DON'T WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU'RE IMAGINING RIGHT NOW.
KIND OF.
no no,
SNICKER
MERRY CHRISTMAS, CHIWA!
I'M YOUR PERSONAL SANTA ASK ME FOR ANYTHING YOU WANT TODAY!
IT'LL BE YOUR FIRST CHRISTMAS TOGETHER, AREN'T YOU EXCITED ABOUT IT?
FIRST CHRIST-MAS WITH HOKUTO
BUT IT SOUNDS HARD TO BELIEVE COMING FROM SOMEONE WHO WAS SO INDIFFEREN UNTIL RECENTLY
All right, all right
NO, NO, I WAS JUST THINKING, AH, HOW GOOD CHRISTMAS IS COMING
I WONDER WHAT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT
FOR HOKUTO'S PRESENT !!
SPEAKING OF CHRIST-MAS,
IT'S ALL ABOUT PRESENTS, ISN'T IT?
I WON'T THINK OF NEGATIVE THINGS
LET'S THINK ABOUT CHRIST-MAS.
Sorry for leaving first

WHAAAT? WHY IS IT GONE ?
I'M SURE I LEFT IT IN HERE
I STILL HAVEN'T OPENED THE PRESENT I RECEIVED FROM HOKUTO FOR MY BIRTHDAY?!
DID I THROW IT OUT BY MISTAKE?
NO WAY
WHAT DO I DO NOW?
I DIDN'T EVEN UNWRAP IT, SO I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT WAS INSIDE

WHAT SHOULD I TELL HIM?
WHAT IF HE ASK ME, "HEY, WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT PRESENT I GAVE YOU BEFORE?"
WHEN I GIVE MY CHRISTMAS PRESENT TO HOKUTO,
Bang
slam
?
Thud
WHERE ARE YOU?!
NO GOOD, NO GOOD, BAD!
chirp~ chirp

I spent the whole night looking for it...
And didn't find it.
Having breakfast at home
Half-dead
CAN'T BELIEVE YOU MANAGED TO MAKE SUCH PRESENTABLE DISHES
In this condition
SAY WHAT?
WHAT WERE YOU DOING THE WHOLE NIGHT? YOU MADE SUCH A RACKET
I don't remember cooking them...
OH, WHAT DO YOU KNOW, I DID, DIDN'T I ?
I'M SORRY FOR THAT
I feel so guilty.
I can't look Hokuto in the eyes...
BY THE WAY,
CHRIST-MAS IS APPROACH-ING
SHOCK!

JUMP
AHHH, JUST LOOK AT THE TIME!
I HAD TO GO OUT EARLY TODAY!
Scratch
Scratch
...
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
WELL, I'LL BE GOING NOW!
TAKE CARE OF THE DISHES, PLEASE!
STOMP
NOT GOOD!
I SHOULDN'T BRING UP THINGS THAT CAN BE ASSOCIATED WITH PRESENTS
NO, I MUST NOT THINK OF THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO!
BUT WHAT DO I DO IF I NEVER FIND THAT PRESENT?!

THIS IS THE WORST THING I'VE DONE TO HOKUTO!
If he asks me about it, I can't fool him!
AAAARGH
I have to do something until Christmas!
Mont-B
M factory
THAT ASIDE,
WHY AN OUTDOOR SHOP..?
ALTHOUGH I REALLY DON'T FEEL LIKE DOING SUCH A THING NOW
I'm so sleepy
IT'S ALL RIGHT,
IT'S ALL RIGHT, YOU CHOSE UNDERWEAR FOR ME BEFORE
REALLY, SORRY
FOR DRAGGING YOU TO GO SHOPPING FOR GIFTS WITH ME

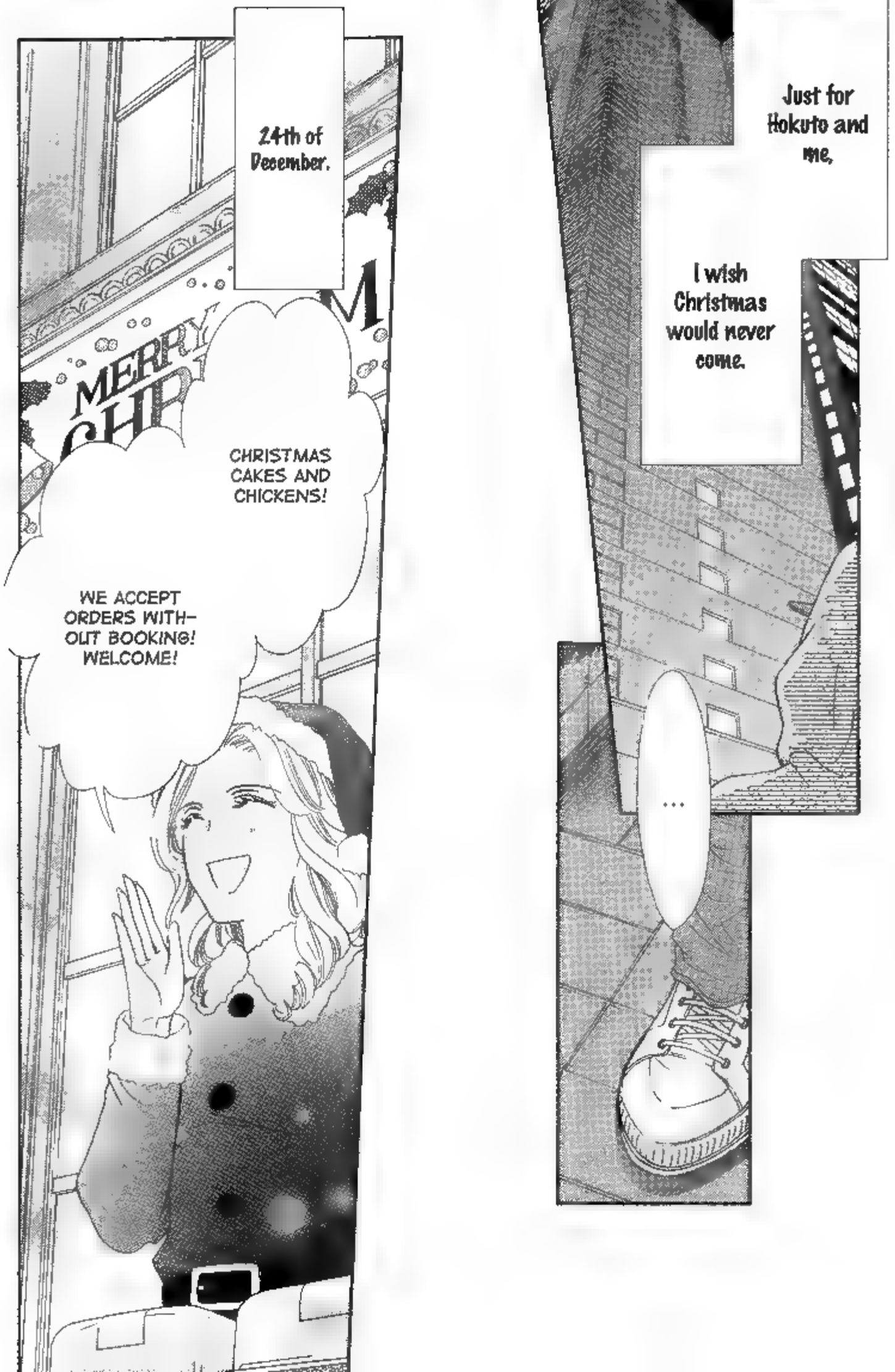
WELL, MY BOYFRIEND'S HOBBIES ARE ALL OUTDOORS
HM
SO I THOUGHT I SHOULD GET HIM SOMETHING HE CAN USE WHEN THE WEATHER IS WARM AGAIN
BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S HIS HOBBY
AND I'VE BEEN WITH HIM LONGER THAN SHE AND HER BOYFRIEND!
Maybe this one
IT NEVER EVEN CROSSED MY MIND TO ASK HIM!
I ST
DON'T KNOW HOKUTO WELL ENOUGH
BY THE WAY, DID YOU ALREADY BUY A PRESENT FOR YOUR BOYFRIEND?
AH? WELL

CRE—AK ooo
BEEP HE'S ALREADY TURNED THE BOOM UPSIDE DOWN AGAIN!
Ta-daa Ta-daa Ta-daa

I CAN'T BELIEVE HE CAN MAKE DIRTY PILES OUT OF SUCH EXPENSIVE THINGS .!
I CAN'T .
WHAT DO I DO NOW?
I LOST THE BIRTHDAY "PRESENT, AND I CAN'T CHOOSE HIM A CHRISTMAS PRESENT.
I'M THE WORST !..
WEL- COME HOME
WHAT, ARE YOU STILL AWAKE?

EH.. NO, I'M ALL RIGHT
He's worried about me.
Why now, when we're starting to get closer...?
?
If he knew I lost it... No... I must not think of that.
THUMP
YOU DON'T LOOK SO WELL.
DO YOU HAVE FEVER OR SOME-THING?
Shock
AH,
I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT CHRISTMAS

STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
WHAT THE
WHAT JUST HAP-PENED?
STOMP
WAHHHHHH!
What should I do now?!
I want to die! I'm an idiot!
I'M THE WORLD'S MOST MISERABLE WIFE
Sniff
JUST LOOK AT ME NOW
AND I WAS STRIKING THE POSE OF A RESO-LUTE AND RESPONSIBLE WOMAN


24th of December.
MERRY CHR
CHRISTMAS CAKES AND CHICKENS!
WE ACCEPT ORDERS WITHOUT BOOKING! WELCOME!
Just for Hokuto and me,
I wish Christmas would never come.
...

I'M SO MISERABLE
THAT I CAN'T EVEN CRY ABOUT IT...
?
HEY!
HEY, YOU!
Thank you for shopping here!
BUT THIS DAY CAME
AT LEAST I BOUGHT A SMALL CAKE, BUT STILL
I COULDN'T FIND WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR AND I COULDN'T CHOOSE A PRESENT
MAYBE TODAY
HOKUTO WILL COME HOME EARLIER THAN USU-ALLY.
AND THAT'S ALL THAT WILL BE WAITING FOR HIM

President's office
PRESI-DENT,
DID YOU MANAGE TO FIND A SUITABLE PRESENT FOR YOUR WIFE?
WHY
DO YOU CARE ABOUT HER?
OF COURSE I DO!
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D SINK SO LOW!
WHAT?
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU
ATTACHED A PRIVATE DETECTIVE TO HER WITHOUT EVEN CONSULTING ME FIRST
IF THE MAN THAT HAS BEEN FOLLOWING YOUR WIFE SO CLOSELY FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS ISN'T KEEPING AN EYE ON HER, THEN ?
WHAT ?
ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
HOW SHOULD I KNOW?!
A-AM I WRONG?!
I WAS SURE... BUT THEN WHO IS THAT MAN...?!
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THIS BEFORE!
SLAM

PRESI-
DENT!
IT SEEMS THAT MASTER SEISHI IS ON HIS WAY HERE
I'M SORRY IT'S SO SUDDEN, BUT HE'D LIKE SOME OF YOUR TIME
SORRY, I'M LEAV-ING NOW!
I HAVE A BAD FEELING
AH! BUT JUST A MINUTE AGO, THERE WAS AN IMPORTANT CALL...
WHAT, MY ESTEEMED OLD MAN THINKS THAT I CAN'T MEET HIM UNLESS HE HAS AN APPOINT-MENT?
ALL RIGHT THEN, I'LL PRETEND I NEVER HEARD ABOUT THAT
YES S.R

OH!
I WAS SURE SOUMA HAD PASSED MY MESSAGE
SORRY, I HAVE SOME URGENT BUSINESS
HOKUTO
I HEARD YOU WERE MARRIED?
THAT'S WHY I CAME BACK A LITTLE EARLIER
WHAT KIND OF GIRL IS SHE? I WANT TO CONGRATULATE
GIVE IT SOME MORE TIME
BEFORE YOU MEET HER
YOU'LL HAVE ENOUGH CHANCES FROM NOW ON

*"CHIHWAHWA" AND CHIHWA'S NAME WITH DOUBLED "WA" SOUND THE SAME IN JAPANESE
Who is this man...?
EXCUSE ME ?
YOU'RE CHIHWAHWA*-CHAN, RIGHT?!
I WAS LOOKING FOR YOU FOR SO LONG!
"Chihwa-hwa"...
Is he some client from back when I was a hostess?! Don't tell me—
WHY DID YOU DID YOU QUIT THE HOSTESS CLUB SO SUDDENLY?!
I TRIED ASKING FOR YOUR NEW ADDRESS, BUT THE GUYS AT THE CLUB WOULDN'T GIVE IT TO ME!
AND THEN I SAW YOU BY CHANCE A WHILE AGO
WHAT IS HE ?
SHIVER
I'M SCARED.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT! I'M LEAVING!
WAIT!
GRAB
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY FROM ME?!
DIDN'T YOU TELL ME I WAS ALL RIGHT?

BUT CHIHWA-HWA-CHA-
DIDN'T YOU HEAR ME?! I DON'T KNOW YOU AND I DON'T WANT TO!
THAT WAS JUST A POLITE WAY TO SHAKE YOU OFF!
DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND I SAID IT BECAUSE IT WAS MY JOB?!
Y-YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG PERSON!
LET ME GO!
EH ?
TH
UD

NO!
SHOCK
WHY? WE USED TO DATE
I KNOW, LET'S GO BACK TO MY PLACE. IT'S CHRISTMAS AND EVERY-THING ALL RIGHT?
WAIT A HEY
YOU'RE SO CRUEL! HOW COULD YOU SAY THAT ?
NO! THIS IS NO JOKE, THIS GUY IS...!
HELP ME! SOMEONE, HELP ME!
HNNN!
HURTS!

AH!
WAIT A
Rush
CHIWA!
HOKUTO...!

LOOKS LIKE I'M IN TIME
YEAH
STAND
CHIHWA-HWA-CHAN
HELLO, IS THIS THE POLICE?
THERE'S ONE SUSPICIOUS INDIVIDUAL IN FRONT OF MY MANSION
!
I-I'M NOT SUSPI-CIOUS!
I'M CHIHWAHWA-CHAN'S BOY-FRIEND...!

AND
I AM THE HUSBAND
DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOME-THING?
PISSED OFF
BOY-FRIEND?!
NO, HOKUTO!
STOP RIGHT THERE, SCUM!
SHOUTS
VVVV
RUSH
HMPF!
BUT I'M NOT SUSPICIOUS, ANYWAY!
ENOU-GH!
STOP.

HEY
SOB-SOB
I WAS SCARED...!
IF HE ATTACKED ME
I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO DIE...
IF HE HAD DONE SOMETHING TO ME..

SO.. YOU'RE NOT HURT?
WAHH!
THEN STAY LIKE THIS FOR A WHILE.
Nod nod
EVER SINCE WE MET, I DIDN'T THINK VERY HIGHLY OF HOKUTO'S KINDNESS.
BUT MAYBE..

...HE'S ACTUALLY MUCH KINDER THAN HE REALIZES HIMSELF.

AS IF BEING CORNERED BY THAT MAN WASN'T ENOUGH, EVEN THE CAKE IS RUINED .
I CAN'T DO THIS ANY-MORE
THIS ISN'T HOW CHRISTMAS WAS SUP-POSED TO BE
WHAT PUNISH-MENT?
BECAUSE I LOST IT!
WHAT?
I LOST THE PRESENT YOU GAVE ME FOR MY BIRTHDAY!
I LOOKED FOR IT EVERYWHERE AND COULDN'T FIND IT...

I'M SORRY!
I'M SO VERY SOR
SOB
SOB
I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO TELL YOU IF YOU FOUND OUT
I KNEW YOU'D BE SHOCKED AND..
I'M SORRY .
I HAVE IT.

SAY WHA?!
.....
WELL. BECAUSE IT WAS SOMETHING I JUST BOUGHT, WITHOUT THINK-ING OF YOU AND WHAT YOU LIKE.
IT WAS JUST A THING I BOUGHT OUT OF DUTY, SOMETHING WHICH SHOULD MAKE ANY WOMAN HAPPY.
AND SO I GUESSED THE REASON WHY YOU HADN'T OPENED IT WAS THAT..
WHAA-AAT?!
W-W-WHY?!
YEAH, MAYBE I SHOULD'VE TOLD YOU SOONER
WHY DID YOU TAKE IT?!

I TRIED TO THINK OF A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOU,
BUT I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU LIKE AND WHAT YOUR HOBBIES ARE
I'M SO MUCH WORSE!
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT SUCH THINGS!
LOOK AT ME, I
I'D NEVER...
IN THE END, I DIDN'T BUY YOU ANYTHING.

I'M THE SAME
WHAT..?
OH, WELL, I
TOO, THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU LIKE AND WHAT YOU MIGHT WANT, BUT
I COULDN'T CHOOSE ANYTHING TO BUY
I REALIZED THAT NOW
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOU.
BE-CAUSE

YOU ARE?

BUT I'M NOT ALL RIGHT WITH THIS.

WHAT DO I DO NOW? I'M BLUSHING TERRIBLY.

B-BUT I.

THE MOMENT I MENTIONED CHRISTMAS, YOU RAN AWAY

YOU DIDN'T EVEN GIVE ME THE CHANCE TO ASK YOU

COTTY

I'M HAPPY JUST KNOWING YOU FELT THIS WAY

EVEN IF ONLY FOR A FEW DAYS, HOKUTO FELT THE WAY I DID.

dok!

dok!

NEXT YEAR I'LL GET YOU A REALLY NICE PRESENT, IT'LL RENDER YOU SPEECHLESS.

HIS HEAD WAS FULL OF THOUGHTS ABOUT ME

SO STOP WEEPING ALREADY.
COME ON, STAND UP.
AT LEAST TODAY, ON CHRISTMAS, I WANT YOU TO SMILE.
WHAT? ISN'T THIS MORE THAN ENOUGH HAPPINESS?

THERE'S NO CAKE, NO PRESENTS, NO NOTHING.
ONLY THE PERSON I LOVE IS SO CLOSE BY MY SIDE.
I WISH WE MEET CHRISTMAS JUST LIKE THIS NEXT YEAR, AND THE YEAR AFTER THAT, AND ALWAYS
JUST FOR THE RECORD,
WHAT DID YOU WANT FROM ME?
PSSSS
YOU'RE REALLY AN OPTIMIST, AREN'T YOU, HOKUTO!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ALL OF A SUDDEN?
DIDN'T YOU SEE IT UNTIL NOW?

THAT THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I WANT?
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS
YOUR HEART, HOKUTO.
flinch
WHAT I WANT FROM YOU?!
AS A PRESENT
*NABE IS A STEAM-POT
WHA?
NABE* .
But I can't say that.
I don't want to push him.
WHAT THIS KITCHEN LACKS IS A GOOD NABE!
A-AND
WHAT DO YOU WANT, HOKUTO?
AH NO KID-DING
I WANT A NABE!

!!
IF THAT MAN HAD DONE SOME-THING TO YOU, I'D WANT TO DIE
PUT
18
WHA-WHA-WHAT?!
YOU'RE THE TYPE WHO'D NEVER LET A MAN TOUCH HER
UNLESS YOU LOVED HIM VERY MUCH

THEN...
A-AND ANYWAY, I STILL HAVEN'T DONE IT WITH ANYO—
I-I-ISN'T THAT HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE?!
IF I REALLY WANT TO DO IT WITH YOU,
I MUST MAKE YOU LOVE ME VERY MUCH, RIGHT.

BUT THE TRUTH IS
I'VE NEVER PUT ANY CONSCIOUS EFFORT INTO MAKING ANY WOMAN LOVE ME
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
SO.
WHAT ARE WE DOING NOW?
Hokuto... wants to do it... with me?
Does that mean he does see me as a woman?
EH?
EH?
WAIT A MINUTE!
YOU SAID THAT WHEN THE TIME COMES, YOU WON'T BACK AWAY FROM ANYTHING.
BUT EVEN IF YOU'RE READY TO BE A MODEL WIFE, THAT IS A DIFFERENT MATTER FOR YOU
Don't tell me that the peanut he wants is...
THUMP

YOU DON'T GET IT, DO YOU?
AH
NO
SHOCK
EEEK!
WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO MAKE YOU LOVE ME?
DON'T
I SAID NO

WHAT ? IF YOU'RE SO SCARED,
THEN I'M DOING THE SAME AS THAT GUY I DON'T WANT TO FORCE YOU INTO ANYTHING
ANYWAY, I'M JUST THINKING ABOUT IT
OPTIMISTI- CALLY JUST THE WAY YOU LIKE IT
NO, THAT'S NOT RIGHT.

I'M HAPPY, BUT
IT WAS A VERY COMPLEX NIGHT.
THE NIGHT HOKUTO TOUCHED ME FOR THE FIRST TIME
ME
BY THE WAY, WHAT WAS INSIDE THAT PRESENT YOU TOOK...?
SAY WHAT?!
But I already returned it to the shop.
TWO-CARAT DIAMOND NECKLACE
1 chapter 11th step /end
IF YOU DID, I...
...WOULD FALL IN YOUR EMBRACE WITHOUT ANY HESITATION.
BUT WHAT WOULD MAKE ME HAPPY IS NOT SOMETHING LIKE THIS
IF YOU LOVED ME AT LEAST A LITTLE BIT...
IF IT'S YOU, HOKUTO,
I DON'T MIND YOU DOING ANYTHING TO ME.
MY HEART HAS BEEN YOURS FOR SO LONG NOW

Sacrifice your souls for more smut!

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Chapter 12

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No really Why do I feel it's really really a long way to go? XDD *pats smut fangirls*

- craxx

The first New Year with the person she loves..
...with the unavoidable ups and downs, of course.
The first New Year after the marriage with Hokuto.
As a bride of the "Mamiya house", Chiwa will have her value tested What a hard trial, but..!
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円城寺マキ

MAKI ENJOJI

Ladylike

～Happy Marriage!?～

人は如何なる理由で結婚するのか？

12th Step - Can I snuggle up to you?

I'm Maniya Chiwa.
Happy New Year!
Today is the second of January.
We have come to Hokuto's family residence, the Maniya estate.
BARK
BARK

BARK
HYAAA-AAAA-AAA!
BARK
And suddenly, I'm in big trouble.
SOME-ONE, SAVE ME!
BARK
LANCE-LOT!
TRIS-TAN!
WHAT, YOU THOUGHT SHE WAS AN IN-TRUDER?
HAHAHA! UNFOR-TUNATELY, THAT IS MY WIFE. FROM NOW ON, DON'T CHASE HER ANYMORE.
GOOD BOYS, YOU'RE SO FULL OF ENERGY...
SHOC-KED
TURN

I SERI-OUSLY THOUGHT MY LIFE WAS OVER!
YOU!
MAYBE THEY THOUGHT YOU WERE A DOGGY?
Chiwa-wa~
NOT THAT LAME JOKE
WHAT IF I TRIPPED AND FELL? MY OUTFIT ISN'T MUCH, ANYWAY,
BUT I WANT IT AT LEAST TO LOOK PROP-ERLY.
AS PROPERLY AS IT CAN ON YOU, YOU MEAN?
WHAT'S THAT SUP-POSED TO MEAN!
I DON'T WANT TO EMBARR-ASS YOU, HOKUTO!
The Mamiyas gather at the central house for the New Year.
It seems it's an annual meeting.
SPEAK-ING ABOUT SHAME
AH!

AH THANKS
TURN
I'm self-conscious since that night,
no matter how I try not to be.
I try to look for hidden meanings
in every little thing Hikaru says or does.
THU-
YOUR HAIR.
MP
Maybe I'm just becoming paranoid.
I'm sure there's no special meaning behind—
OOOH! YOU'RE HERE, YOU'RE HERE!

HOW IS HOKUTO? IS HE TREAT-ING YOU KINDLY?
AH, YES, VERY MUCH!
THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR.
HAPPY NEW YEAR, PRESIDENT!
CON-GRATULA-TIONS
AH, JUST "GRAND-PA" IS FINE.
HAPPY NEW YEAR AND ALL THAT!
GRAND-FATHER
BY THE WAY,
IS THERE ANY CHANCE OF SEEING MY GREAT-GRAND CHILD'S FACE ANYTIME SOON?

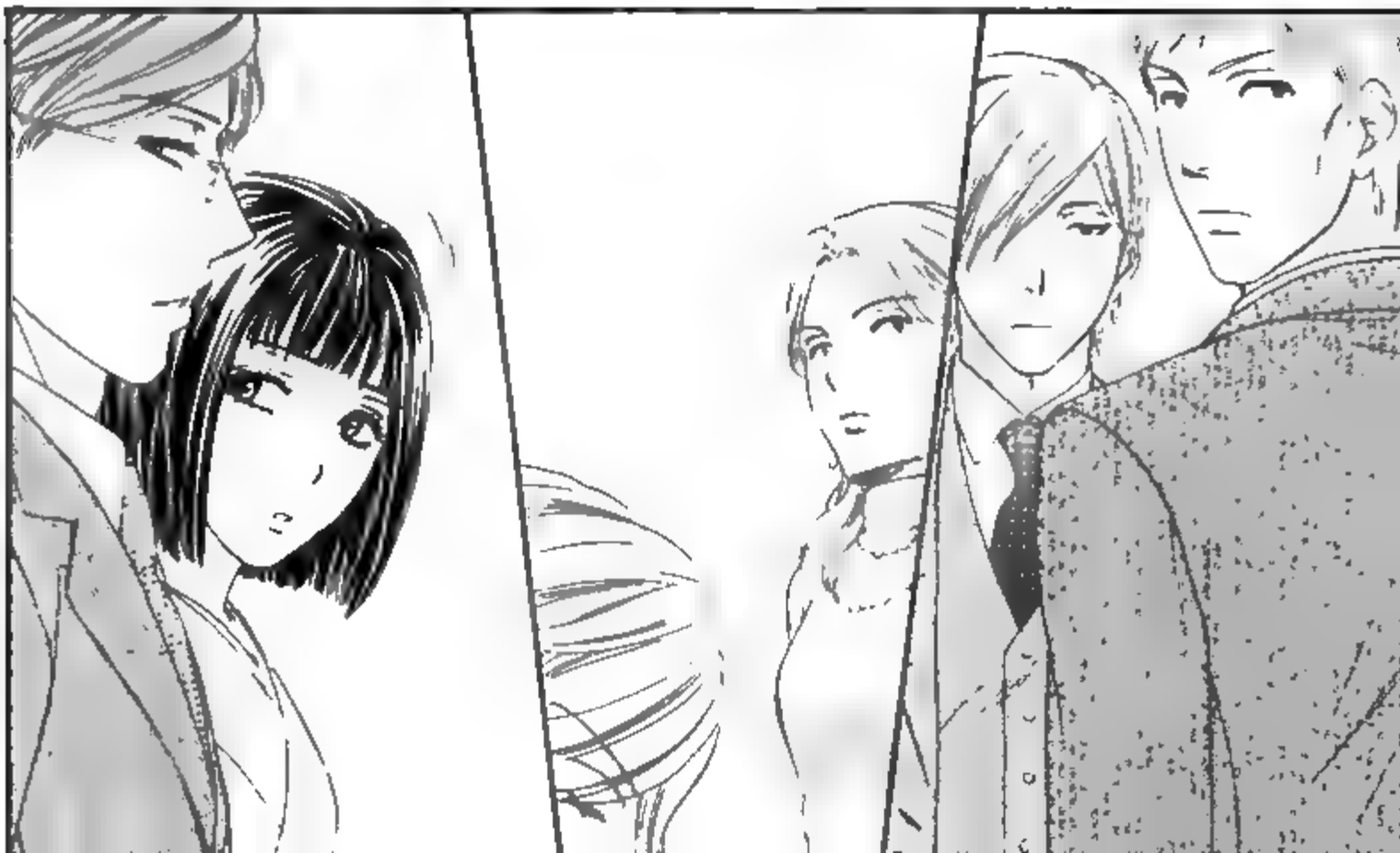
G-GREAT-GRAND-CHILD?!
IT IS AN OLD DREAM OF MINE THAT STILL HASN'T COME TRUE, YOU SEE I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO.
THE SYMBOL OF THE LOVE BETWEEN MY AND YUUKO-SAMA'S OFF-SPRING
I. SEE.
What's with this old man?
EHM.. EHM.. WHAT SHOULD I SAY?
AH, WE ARE CERTAINLY TRYING TO STRENGTHEN THIS UNION, BUT...
HAVING A CHILD IS A BLESSING FROM ABOVE AND CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO GO ACCORDING TO PEOPLE'S SCHEDULES..
AH, I SEE, OF COURSE, THAT IS SO
THAT'S HOKUTO FOR YOU
LYING THROUGH HIS TEETH WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH
WELL, COME ON IN, YOU MUST BE COLD
STANDING OUTSIDE
Y-YES!
I'M SORRY, PRESIDENT.
WE'VE NEVER EVEN ONCE DONE ANYTHING WHICH COULD RESULT IN A CHILD.

I haven't long left to live, you see.
What are you saying? You have many more years left!
sooner or later...
A child, eh... I've never thought about it.
But I'm sure that to serve Hokuto's purpose,
WHAT, YOU CAME?
Huge!
WAH. THE HOUSE IS AS IF TAKEN FROM A PAINTING!
I wonder what Hokuto thinks about it.
Perhaps the way he acted at Christmas was for this purpose...?
IT'S BEEN A YEAR
I WAS SURE THAT YOU WON'T COME THIS YEAR

Pissed
THAT'S THE BEST THAT WAS WILLING TO GO FOR YOU
BUT OH, WELL, I GUESS
SORRY TO DIS-APPOINT YOU
WHAT?
I HEARD YOU GOT MARRIED, BUT IS THIS THE BRIDE?
YOU GOT YOUR-SELF A REALLY PLAIN ONE
THIS GUY GIVES OFF A NASTY FEELING FROM HEAD TO TOE
HEY, HEY! WHAT'S THIS RUDE GUY'S PROB-LEM?!
Mad
Mad
HE'S MY COUSIN, MORE OR LESS.
Mad
C-COUSIN?!
Mad
YOU MANAGED TO PASS THE THRESHOLD OF MAMIYA ARE YOU SATISFIED NOW?
YOU'RE A GOLD-DIGGER, AREN'T YOU?
I HAVE NO IDEA HOW YOU MANAGED TO SUCK UP TO GRANDPA
SO THEY DON'T GET ALONG
BUT EVEN SO, THIS IS TOO MUCH
NICE TO MEET YOU, I AM CHI-WA.
I'M LOOK-ING FOR-WARD TO-

"SIGH" GRANDPA MUST BE GETTING SENILE
ALTHOUGH WHO CARES, IT SEEMS HE HAS MONEY
Wha...?
IT'S TOO BAD,
BUT EVEN IF HE'S A MAMIYA, HE'S NOT WITH THE REST OF US
I HAVE NOTHING TO REPLY.
AND IT'S TRUE THAT HOKUTO PAID MY DEBTS FOR ME.
AND IF THERE WASN'T THIS CONNECTION WITH MY GRANDMOTHER,
...
I
WAS THE ONE WHO CHOSE YOU
...
DON'T LET WHAT THE TRASH SAID BOTHER YOU

IN A MOMENT, I FELT BETTER.
WITH JUST ONE WORD FROM HIM..
AND STILL, HE WAS DISGUSTING.
BUT OH, WELL, THERE ARE BOUND TO BE ONE OR TWO COUSINS YOU DON'T GET ALONG WITH, RIGHT
I-I'M NOT BOTHERED!
I WAS JUST A LITTLE SURPRISED
NO.
IT'S ALL OF THEM.
Almost
WHA?!
OPEN



Wha..?
GULP
What was that cold feeling just now...?
As if everyone is looking down on me...
AH NICE TO MEET
BOW
STOMP
HEY !
H-He still hasn't greeted anyone!
STOMP
EH? AREN'T THEY ALL HIS COUSINS?
NOBODY IS LOOKING THIS WAY.

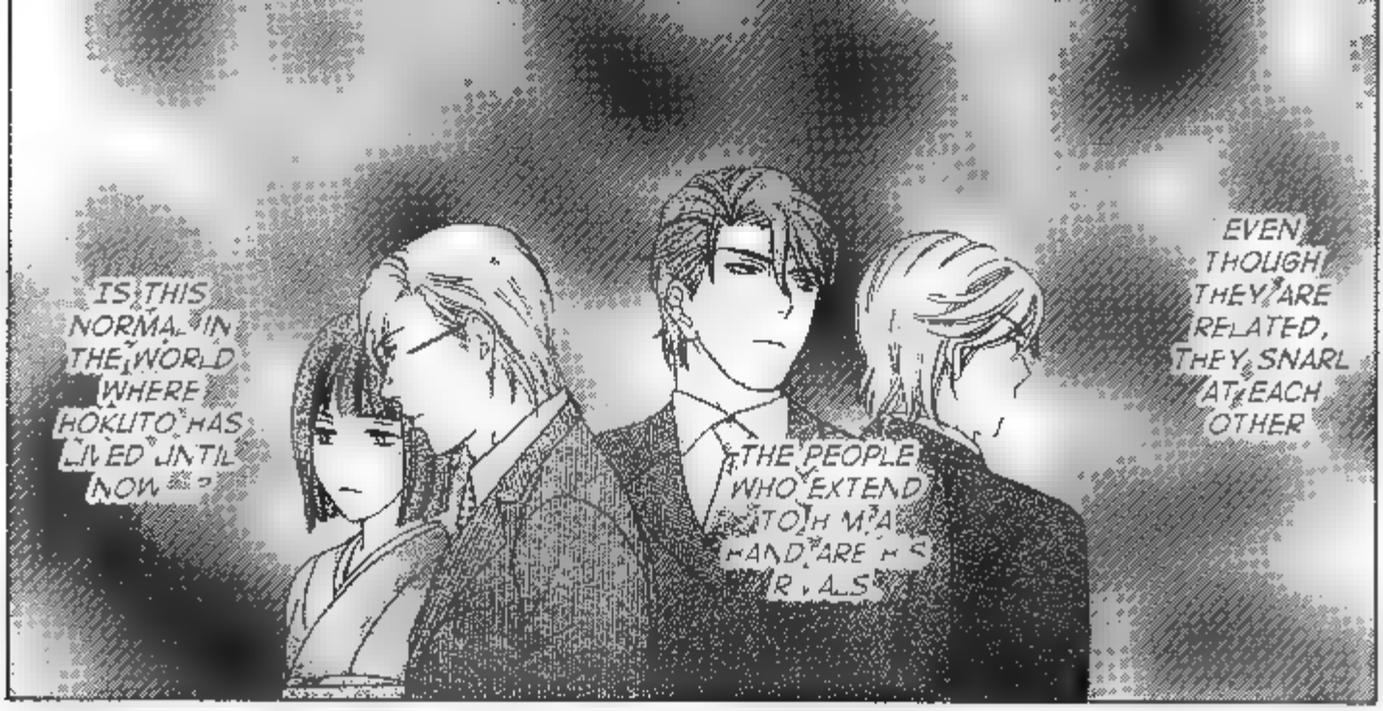
I DON'T UNDER-STAND ANY-THING!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF I DO. IT'LL ALL BE THE SAME AS BEFORE
sneak sneak
H-HEY, HOKUTO, WAIT A MINUTE,
IS IT ALL RIGHT NOT TO GREET ANYONE?
GRANDFATHER DOESN'T THINK THIS WAY, BUT TO THE REST OF THEM, WE ARE UNINVITED GUESTS
I AM "A MISTRESS'S BASTARD", SO THEY DO NOT WISH TO ACCEPT ME AS ONE OF THEM

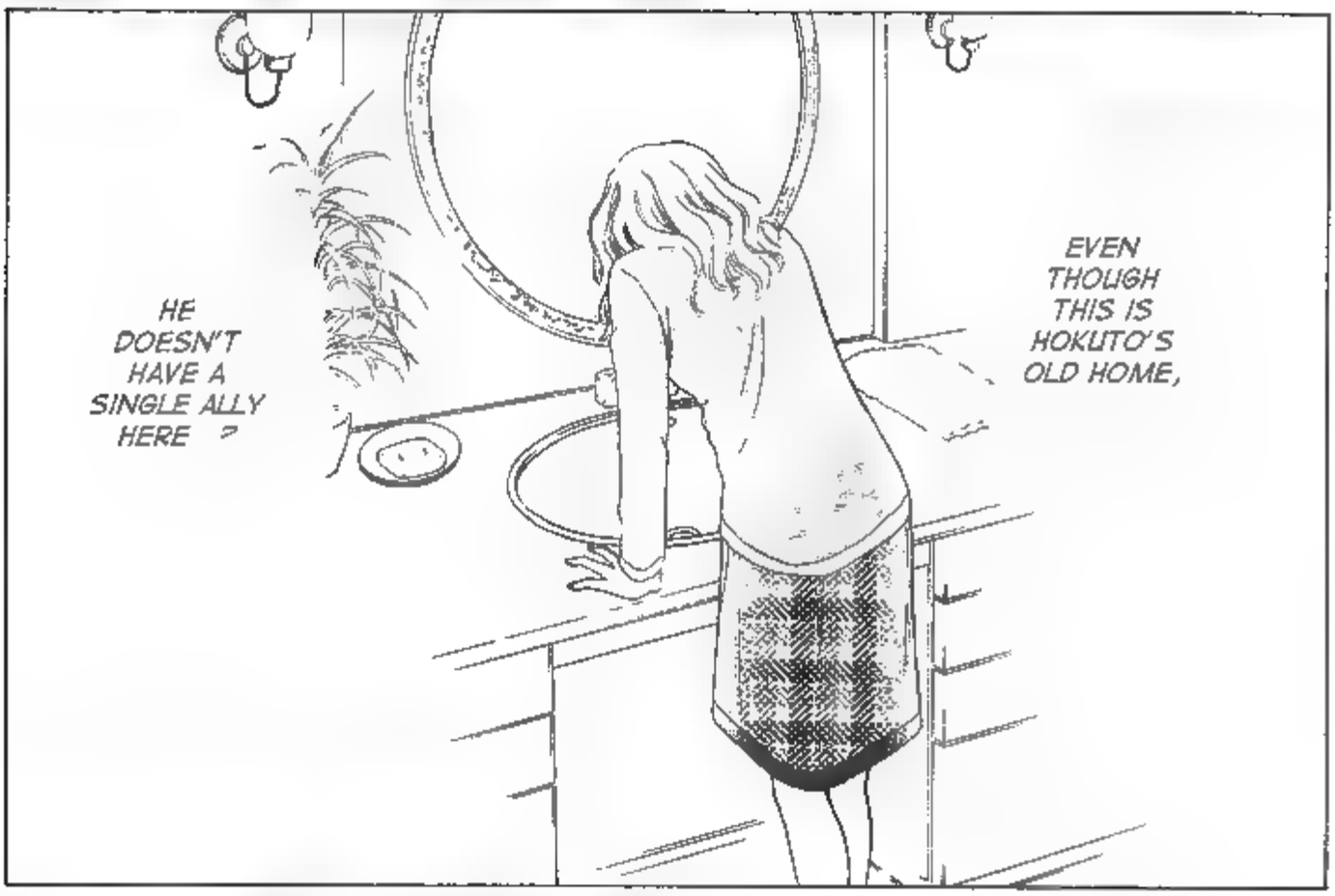
AH . WELL..
THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A MEETING OF SIB-LINGS. ?
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT ..
AREN'T YOU MAD TO BE TREA-TED THIS WAY .?
NOT REALLY
IT'D BE A POINTLESS QUARREL. WE ALL KNOW IT.
BUT ENOUGH ABOUT IT. HOW ABOUT SOME TEA?
Put
IF YOU PLEASE.
YOU MUST BE TIRED AFTER THE TRIP HERE?
WHAT A BEAUTY. I WONDER WHO SHE IS?
HAPPY NEW YEAR, HOKUTO-SAN
TO YOU, TOO, SAORI-SAN

HAPPY NEW YEAR, HOKUTO-KUN
LONG TIME NO SEE! YOU LOOK VERY WELL!
HAPPY NEW YEAR, SATORU-SAN
WELL
AH! NICE TO MEET YOU, I'M CHIWA!
SO HE HAS SOME COUSINS WHO ACT NORMALLY, AFTER AL...
YOU MUST BE NERVOUS? I THOUGHT MY HEART WOULD BURST THE FIRST DAY I WAS BROUGHT HERE
I AM HIS WIFE, SAORI
A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU, I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO IT
I'M HOKUTO-KUN'S COUSIN, SATORU YOU MUST BE CHIWA-SAN
NICE TO MEET YOU!

I'LL SHOW YOU AROUND. YOU NEED THE TOILET, RIGHT?
WAIT, I'M GOING, TOO
AH. . THANKS
WHY...?
HEY ..
WHAT?
SATORU-SAN AND HIS WIFE ARE VERY NICE PE-OPLE, AREN'T THEY?
SO WHY DO YOU TREAT THEM SO . COLDLY?
HE PUTS ON A SMILING FACE, BUT HIS EYES ARE NOT SMILING .
ON THE CONTRARY, HE LOOKS COLD.

I CAN SAFELY SAY THAT ALL THE OTHER COUSINS ARE JUST SMALL FRIES
HE IS THE ONLY TRULY CAPABLE MAN AMONG THEM
THE ONE WHO WILL SUFFER THE MOST AFTER I ACCOMPLISH MY GOAL WILL BE THE TWO OF THEM
BUT THE TRUTH IS
WELL, YES, THEY ARE GOOD PEOPLE
I go this way
Even though they are such nice people?
Then will he be enemies with them one day?
I'M TIRED I FEEL SOMETHING WEIGHING ME
splash
I'VE HAD ONE TOO MANY SHOCKS


IS THIS NORMAL IN THE WORLD WHERE HOKUTO HAS LIVED UNTIL NOW ?
THE PEOPLE WHO EXTEND TO H M A HAND ARE H S R . A . S
EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE RELATED, THEY SNARL AT EACH OTHER


HE DOESN'T HAVE A SINGLE ALLY HERE ?
EVEN THOUGH THIS IS HOKUTO'S OLD HOME,

WHAT'S THE MATTER?
YOU LOOK TROUBLED
OOPS
AH ?
WHICH WAY WAS IT ?

ARE YOU LOST?
THIS PLACE REALLY IS A LITTLE COMPLI-CATED ..
HM?
YOU ARE .? I DON'T RECALL MEETING YOU
AH, YES, I AM.
HOKUTO. HOKUTO-SAN'S .
HUH?
NICE TO MEET YOU
I AM HOKUTO'S FATHER
SO WE FINALLY MEET

HIS FATHER?!
AH...
A PLEA-SURE TO MEET YOU! I'M CHIWA!
I'M SORRY I'VE NEVER PROPERLY INTRODUCED MYSELF, EVEN THOUGH MY SON IS IN YOUR CARE NOW
BUT WHAT AM I TO DO WHEN HE DIDN'T EVEN INFORMED ME HE WAS GETTING MARRIED?
SHE'S TAKING TOO LONG
DID SHE GET LOST?
HOKUTO'S FATHER. .
HE SEEMS VERY KIND .
HOW ABOUT I SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM?
I HAVE SO MUCH TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT

Causing trouble again
THE NERVE OF HER
OH MAN
IT IS ALMOST TIME FOR LUNCH MAYBE YOU SHOULD GO LOOK FOR HER?
I GUESS
SO YOU DON'T USU-ALLY RESIDE IN JAPAN?
YES, I AM IN CHARGE OF THE OVER-SEAS TRADE AFFAIRS.
AH,
HOKUTO!

Y-YOUR FATHER WAS SO KIND
TO SHOW ME THE WAY
EXCUSE MY WIFE
FOR CAUS-ING YOU TROUBLE
W-WHAT'S GOING ON?!
HOKUTO!
EH?!
WE WILL SEE YOU LATER
STOP WILL YOU NOT SAY A WORD OF GREETING?
EVEN THOUGH IT IS NEW YEAR?

I WOULD NOT DO ANY OF THE THINGS YOU SEEM TO BE IMAGI-NING.
AND IT'S HIGH TIME YOU STOP-PED WITH YOUR WILD DELUSIONS.
EXCUSE ME.
BUT IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR LUNCH.
What?
HE...
ISN'T HE A GOOD MAN?! I DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING ANYMORE! I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON...!
SO YOU'LL ACT LIKE THAT EVEN TOWARDS YOUR FATHER?!
WAIT A MINUTE, HOKUTO! HEY!

THAT MAN
IS THE ONE WHO KILLED MY MOTHER.
EH .
HE USED TO HAVE FIVE BRO-THERS, TOO
AND THAT'S WHEN HE FOUND ME.
BUT HIS LAWFUL WIFE COULDN'T PRODUCE HIM ONE
HE NEEDED A MALE HEIR AT ANY RATE, BECAUSE OF THE POWER STRUGGLES INSIDE MAMIYA.
What... is he saying...?
I don't understand anything anymore..

Of course, my mother was completely against giving me up.
NEVER! NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU COME! GO AWAY!
Shortly after, she died in an accident...
THE SON OF THE WOMAN WHO HAD ONCE BEEN HIS MISTRESS
AND WHOM HE HAD BEEN NEGLECTING COMPLETELY FROM THE DAY I WAS BORN
I'M SURE YOU HAD IT ROUGH UNTIL NOW, HOKUTO
BUT FROM NOW ON, LET'S LIVE TOGETHER IN YOUR DADDY'S HOUSE
From that moment, I made up my mind.

I WILL TAKE INTO MY HANDS THE WHOLE OF MAMIYA
AND I WILL DEFINITELY BRING EVERY-THING OUT INTO THE LIGHT

.. SUCH. .

HE SEEMED LIKE SUCH A KIND PERSON!
I CAN'T BELIEVE HE WOULD HAVE KI-KILLED AN EX-LOVER...
NO MATTER WHAT, YOU CAN'T JUST—
WHERE'S YOUR PROOF FOR SUCH ACCUSA-TIONS?!
HOW CAN YOU DOUBT YOUR OWN FATHER ABOUT SOME-THING LIKE THAT!

I SEE. IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN WHAT I SAY,
THEN IT'S OVER.
Ah...
ANYWAY, WE HAVE TO BE AT LUNCH
GET READY AND COME TO THE MAIN HALL.
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.
BUT, BUT...
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT JUST LIKE THAT,

I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN TRUST EVEN MY OWN EYES ANY-MORE!
I RAISE A TOAST FOR THE PROSPERITY OF THE MAMIYA FAMILY AND BUSINESS GROUP FOR YET ANOTHER YEAR!
CHEERS!
I CAN'T EVEN FEEL THE TASTE
IT'S DELICIOUS, BUT
SATORU! SAORI-SAN!
HOW IS EVERYTHING GOING WITH THAT?
You can't tell what any of these people
might be hiding and plotting behind their backs.

AH, CONG-RATULA-TIONS!
SAORI-SAN IS WITH A BABY..
YES, ACTU-ALLY
AH, WHAT, WHAT? A BABY?
THANK HEAVENS, IT HAS AL-READY BEEN FOUR MON-THS.
BUT WE DIDN'T WANT TO BOAST BEFORE THE DATE OF BIRTH AP-PROACHED
I'M SORRY, HOKUTO, I'M ALL RIGHT, SO DON'T WO—
AH .
HOT!
"THE FACE OF MY GREAT-GRAND-CHILD ."
SPLASH

WHY SHOULD I BE?
NOW EAT PROPERLY.
Hokuto...
HEY, HEY, THAT WAS VERY COLD OF YOU!
Let me change that
WHAT...
YOU CAN REALLY SEE THE KIND OF UPBRINGING THEY'VE HAD
IT'S "LIKE HUSBAND, LIKE WIFE", BUT THOSE TWO ARE ON THE SAME LOW LEVEL.
HE'S A LONG WAY FROM THE TRUE GENTLEMEN, BUT SO IS SHE
WOULD IT HURT YOU TO OFFER HER AT LEAST A NAPKIN?
THE LADY JUST RECENTLY MANAGED TO LAY HER HANDS ON THE MAMIYA NAME AND MONEY

SPLASH
WELL, IT'S DUBIOUS ENOUGH IF HE EVEN HAS ANY MAMIYA BLOOD IN HIM.
AND AREN'T PEOPLE OF THEIR SORT JUST MEANT FOR EACH OTHER? AFTER ALL, THEY LIVE IN THE SAME WORLD. .
I'M FLATTERED YOU DON'T PUT ME IN THE SAME GROUP AS YOURSELF.
I DO NOT WISH TO STOOP TO THE LEVEL OF YOU, PEOPLE, EITHER.

BUT EVEN IF ALL OF YOU ARE BOUND BY BLOOD, WHAT GOOD IS IT IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU ACT TOWARDS EACH OTHER?!
YOU KEEP TALK-ING ABOUT MAMIYA'S BLOOD AND WHAT NOT,
YOU'RE NOT GRADE-SCHOOLERS, SO WHAT EN-JOYMENT DO YOU FIND IN STARTING THE NEW YEAR WITH SUCH TALK?!
AND YOU CALL THIS FAMILY?!
WHAT'S WITH THIS WHOLE MEETING?!
whisper
whisper
I AM SO MUCH CLOSER TO HOKUTO THAN ANY OF YOU HERE!
ME, WHO HAS NOT A SINGLE DROP OF BLOOD TO CONNECT US!

I DON'T CARE IF YOU SPEAK BADLY OF ME, GO AHEAD!
BUT
I WILL NOT LET YOU SPEAK ILL OF THE PERSON I LOVE!
IF YOU WANT TO ABUSE SOMEONE THAT BADLY,
ABUSE ONLY ME...!

SILENCE
GRANDPA, DO SOME-THING!
W-WHAT'S THIS WOMAN'S PROBLEM?! THROW HER OUT OF HERE!
HE-HE-HEH
YOU DON'T HAVE TO! I'M LEAV-ING ON MY OWN!
AND I NEVER WANT TO RETURN!
SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD THAT'S SO CUTE
JUST THE WAY YUUKO-SAMA USED TO BE.
HOKUTO, THE DEGREE TO WHICH YOU ARE BELOVED IS WORTH ANY-ONE'S ENVY.

I'm so glad!
STAND
I'M SORRY TO BE LEAV-ING SO SUD-DENLY, FATHER
BUT PLEASE EXCUSE ME. I CAN'T JUST LEAVE MY WIFE ALONE.

THAT WAS A BIG BLUNDER
I'M SORRY
HEY!
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT? DO YOU WANT TO BE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN BADMOUTH ME?
I'M REALLY SORRY
I DIDN'T MEAN TO DO ANYTHING TO EMBAR-RASS YOU, HOKUTO.
I SHOULD'VE JUST SMILED AND LET IT ALL PAST MY EARS... THAT'S THE WAY AN ADULT SHOULD BEHAVE .
I REALLY DO UNDERS-TAND ALL THAT, BUT... I'M SORRY...

I'M REALLY SORRY
I MAKE A FOOL OF MYSELF I EVEN. BELIEVED IN YOUR FATHER...
I'VE DECIDED THAT I WILL HELP YOU ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL.
SO I UNDER-STAND WHAT I SHOULD DO.
I MUST BECOME A MODEL WIFE LIKE SAORI-SAN AND AND MAKE A BABY .
AND KEEP THE PRESIDENT HAPPY.
AND YOU, YOU HAVE NOBODY ELSE, DO YOU ?
NO OTHER ALLY BUT ME...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORCE YOUR-- SELF ABOUT FATHER
ONE DAY YOU'LL UN-- DERSTAND ME
I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW
BECAUSE YOU ARE MY ALLY.
HOKUTO...
YOU SAID YOU LOVED ME.
BUT THAT WAS ONE HELL OF A CONFES- SION, YOU KNOW.

EHHH?! WHEN DID I
SAY SUCH A TH—?
Remembered.
WAH- WAH- WAH- WAH- WAH- WAH!
DON'T RUN.
The nerve of you.
SO, YOU HAVEN'T FORGOT- TEN
ABOUT OUR TALK ON CHRISTMAS EVE, HAVE YOU?
It was just a few days ago.
WA... WAIT A—
!!!

COVERS

How can I be such an idiot?! What now?!
THAT WAS... I WAS... IT WAS JUST ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT...
SPUR?!
AND, AND SO, YOU SEE, I—
WE ARE HUSBAND AND WIFE.
EHM...
ENOUGH. SHUT UP.
That's not the way I meant to confess.
WELL, I'M THE WIFE, SO I COULDN'T SAY I HATE YOU, RIGHT?
WHY DO YOU NEED TO FIND SUCH EXCUSES?

BLUSH
WHAT?
YOU HAVE SOMETHING MORE TO SAY?
HO-HOKUTO, ONE PROB-LEM!
NO MATTER WHAT YOU MEAN TO SAY,
THIS TIME I WILL REALLY MAKE YOU MINE.
AH! EHM, THAT IS, YOU SEE, I UNDERSTAND THAT, AS HUS-BAND AND WIFE AND ALL, BUT...
WAH-HHH...

MY FIRST MAN MUST BE
SOME-ONE WHO LOVES ME, OR ELSE I CAN'T...
I WONDER WHAT KIND OF WORLD I WILL DISCOVER ONCE I FINALLY SLIP DOWN THE RABBIT HOLE...
my, my...
WHA?!
YOU ARE MY PERSONAL CHARACTER TRAINING... ALTHOUGH EVEN IF I SAY THIS, YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND ME, WILL YOU?
はぴまり ~Happy Marriage!?~
TO BE CONTINUED
本編は２か月お休みをいただきます。次号は「はぴまり」の番外編で登場デス!!